

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
AUSTIN DIVISION

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WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

BY: Julie Golden  
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THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI §  
SYNOD, a Missouri nonprofit corporation §  
*Plaintiff*, §  
v. §  
DONALD CHRISTIAN, CHRISTOPHER §  
BANNWOLF, CONCORDIA §  
UNIVERSITY TEXAS, INC., & JOHN §  
DOES 1-12 §  
*Defendants* §

Case No. 1:23-cv-1042-RP

**ORDER GRANTING UNOPPOSED MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE**

Came on for consideration the Unopposed Motion to Consolidate filed by Defendants Concordia University Texas, Inc., Donald Christian and Christopher Bannwolf in this matter. Having considered the motion, and the contents of the file, the Court grants the motion in all respects.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that this proceeding is hereby consolidated with *Concordia University Texas v. The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, an unincorporated association of Lutheran congregations, and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, a Missouri Corporation*, Case No. 1:24-cv-176-RP (W. Dist. Tex.) (“CTX v LCMS”) for the determination of Plaintiff’s Motion to Remand in *CTX v LCMS* and Defendants’ Motion to Dismiss for Lack of Subject Matter Jurisdiction and Failure to Join Indispensable Parties.

Signed this 17th day of April, 2024.



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Robert Pitman  
U.S. District Judge